The Barrier

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what I hear, though he won't let nobody come near him except old Doc; but he's lost a battle and that ends him. Don't you savvy? Whenever a killer quits second best it breaks his hoodoo. Why, there's been men laying for him these twenty years, from here to the Rio Grande, and every feller he ever bested will hear of this and begin to grease his holster; then the first shave-tail desperado that meets him will spit in his eye, just to make a name for himself. No, sir! He's a spent shell. He's got to fight all his battles over again, and this time the other.

And the girl, beholding the glory in his eye, sunderstood.

Gale caught her away from him then and buried her in his arms.

A woman came running into the store, and, seeing the group, paused at the door—a shapeless, silent, shawled figure to the Rio Grande, and every feller he ever bested will hear of this and begin to grease his holster; then the first shawe-tail desperado that meets him will spit in his eye, just to make a name for himself. No, sir! He's a spent shell. He's got to fight all his battles over again, and this time the other.

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night just as sure as if you'd hung up his hide to dry, and he knows it. Where is Necia?"

"She's gone," said the trader, wearily, turning his haggard face from the prospector.

"Gone! Where!"

"Up-river with Runnion. They got her away from me last night."

While they were taking Eurrell came in. "No Creek' saw that the night had affected the youth even more than it had fale to a stees he showed the marks more plainly, for his face was drawn, his eyes were sunken as if from hunger, and his whole body seemed to have fallen away till his uniform hung upon him loose, unkempt and careless. It was as miracle vouchsafed because of his clean in the spirit of a spectator.

shrinkage.

He had interrogated Stark again after getting the doctor, but the man had only cursed at him, declaring that his daughter was out of reach, where he would take care to keep her, and torturing the lover anew by linking Runnlon's name with the girl's till the young man fled from the sound of the monster's voice back to his own quarters.

At intervals an unholy impulse almost drove him to Stark's cabin to finish the work Gale had begun, to do it coldly as a matter of justice, for was he not the one who had put Necla into the hands of that ruffian? Greeting Lee mehands of that ruffian? Greeting Lee mehands of the ruffian after the ruffian? Greeting Lee mehands of the ruffian after the ruffian? Greeting Lee mehands of the ruffian after the ruffian? Greeting Lee mehands of the ruffian after the ruffian? Greeting Lee mehands of the ruffian after the ruffian? Greeting Lee mehands of the ruffian after the ruffian? Greeting Lee ruffian after the ruffian? Gr

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